

**Amendments to the Specification:**

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 1, line 2, with the following amended paragraph:

This invention relates generally to enabling secure communications between ~~an~~ a head end or server and a receiving client, for example in systems that distribute television content, software or other content electronically.

Please replace the paragraph starting on page 5, line 33, with the following amended paragraph:

The integrated circuit 28 may be coupled to a demodulator 42 and a tuner 44 that receive input signals from the head end or server via the input ~~device 26~~ device 46. Thus, in a digital broadcasting embodiment the transport demultiplexer 34 demultiplexes the digital broadcast information received from the head end. The client 10 may only demultiplex the information if the client 10 is authorized to receive such broadcasts as determined by the cooperation of the processor 12, the key logic 36 and the memory 24 in a fashion described in more detail hereinafter.